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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

Plaintiff,

VS.

TRELISTA B.,1

KILOLO KIJAKAZI, ACTING COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,<sup>2</sup> No. 1:20-cv-03188-MKD

ORDER GRANTING
STIPULATED MOTION FOR
REMAND PURSUANT TO
SENTENCE FOUR OF 42 U.S.C. §
405(g) AND CLOSING FILE

**ECF Nos. 17, 24** 

Defendant.

Before the Court is the parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, ECF No. 24, requesting remand of the above-captioned matter to the Commissioner for

- <sup>1</sup> To protect the privacy of plaintiffs in social security cases, the undersigned identifies them by only their first names and the initial of their last names. *See* LCivR 5.2(c).
- <sup>2</sup> Kilolo Kijakazi became the Acting Commissioner of Social Security on July 9,
- 2021. Pursuant to Rule 25(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Kilolo
- Kijakazi is substituted for Andrew M. Saul as the defendant in this suit. No further
- 0 action need be taken to continue this suit. See 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

additional administrative proceeding pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). Attorney D. James Tree represents Plaintiff. Attorney Leisa Wolf represents Defendant. The parties have consented to proceed before a magistrate judge. ECF No. 6.

After consideration, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The District Court Executive is directed to substitute Kilolo Kijakazi as the Defendant and update the docket sheet.
  - 2. The parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, ECF No. 24, is GRANTED.
- 3. The above-captioned case be **REVERSED** and **REMANDED** to the Commissioner of Social Security for further administrative proceeding pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

The parties have stipulated to the following:

On remand, the Appeals Council will instruct the ALJ to:

- Further develop the record;
- Offer Plaintiff the opportunity for a hearing;
- Obtain psychiatric expert to give testimony regarding Plaintiff's mental impairments and any resulting limitations;
- Reevaluate the severity of Plaintiff's mental impairments;
- Reevaluate the medical evidence, as well as non-medical opinions, consistent with 20 C.F.R. § 416.1527;

- Reevaluate Plaintiff's subjective complaints in accordance with 20
   C.F.R. § 416.1529 and SSR 16-3p;
- As needed, the ALJ will reassess Plaintiff's residual functional capacity and make a new determination of whether there are jobs in the national economy Plaintiff could still do;
- Proceed with the sequential evaluation as necessary; and
- Issue a new decision.

See ECF No. 24 at 2.

- 3. Judgment shall be entered for **PLAINTIFF**.
- 4. Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment, ECF No. 17, is STRICKEN AS MOOT.
- 5. Upon proper presentation, this Court consider Plaintiff's application for fees and expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d).

The District Court Executive is directed to enter this Order, enter **Judgment**, forward copies to counsel, and **CLOSE THE FILE**.

DATED November 8, 2021.

s/Mary K. Dimke
MARY K. DIMKE
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE